



Matravers School

Social Sciences

Humanities at Matravers

Humanities subjects are central within the curriculum offer throughout all Key Stages at Matravers and make a highly valued contribution to the learning experience of students. Geography, History and RS are taught to all students throughout Key Stage 3 and are offered as an option in Key Stage 4. These subjects are also offered, alongside Psychology and Sociology in Key Stage 5.

At Matravers it is recognised that Humanities subjects play a significant role in enabling students to understand the world around them in addition to developing a range of widely transferable skills as well as subject specialist skills, knowledge and understanding. The impact of Humanities extends beyond the curriculum through the offer of high quality opportunities including practical fieldwork, trips and visits.

We hope that you will relish the opportunity of consolidating and developing the Social Sciences aspect of the Humanities offer.

The Department

The Social Sciences Department is currently composed of a specialist Psychology teacher, with Sociology being taught by other colleagues across the school. This is an exciting opportunity to combine the Social Sciences into one specialised role, alongside the opportunity to lead our PSHE provision across the school, as well as overseeing RE. The school is looking to appoint an enthusiastic and well-qualified teacher of Psychology and Sociology who will contribute to the department through the next stage of its development in pursuit of our vision to create the best opportunities for all those in the Matravers family.

Curricular Provision

The current Social Sciences curriculum is varied and engaging, offering students opportunities to develop their understanding of Psychology and Sociology at KS5. The challenge embedded within the schemes of work is developmental, preparing the students for high order thinking and increasingly demanding learning experiences as their Social Sciences studies progress. .

At Key Stage 5 the Social Sciences are very popular and form a significant element of the A Level offer for students. At this level students follow:

- the AQA Psychology specification
- the AQA Sociology specification.

At Matravers, we constantly review the curriculum offer to ensure that it is well-matched to the students' abilities, enabling them to successfully develop high quality subject specific and transferable skills as well as exam success.